



Village of Oak Park

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Meeting Minutes

President and Board of Trustees

Tuesday, June 23, 2026

7:00 PM

Village Hall

I. Call to Order

President Scaman called the Regular Board of Trustees Meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

II. Roll Call

Present: 6 - Village President Scaman, Village Trustee Eder, Village Trustee Leving Jacobson, Village Trustee Straw, Village Trustee Taglia, and Village Trustee Wesley

Absent: 1 - Village Trustee Enyia

III. Agenda Approval

It was moved by Village Trustee Derek Eder, seconded by Village Trustee Jenna Leving Jacobson to approve the agenda. A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved.

V. Proclamation

A. [MOT 26-186](#) A Motion to Approve a Proclamation Honoring the Life of Frances "Fran" Sullivan

It was moved by Village Trustee Derek Eder, seconded by Village Trustee Jenna Leving Jacobson, that this Motion be approved. A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved.

AYES: 6 - Village President Scaman, Village Trustee Eder, Village Trustee Leving Jacobson, Village Trustee Straw, Village Trustee Taglia, and Village Trustee Wesley

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1 - Village Trustee Enyia

IV. Non-Agenda Public Comment

Paul R. shares their experience as a Career Day presenter at Julian and Brooks Middle Schools. Paul recommends that the Village of Oak Park display "America 250" signs.

Kevin K. commends the Village Board for passing the supplement to the Optical Contract and expresses concerns about neighborhood meetings and the Shape Oak Park initiative.

George L. discusses the proposed zoning change for single-family homes and its impact on affordability.

Curtis T. raises concerns about the financial feasibility of the Oak Park bike plan and its potential impact on other capital needs.

Frank S. cites a Federal Reserve Bank of Boston report to argue that abolishing single-family zoning would harm current homeowners.

Aaron M. stated that progress on discussions regarding support for the LGBTQ+ community has stalled due to missed meetings and expressed concern about increasing challenges facing transgender individuals nationwide. They urged the Village to take concrete action through education, resource coordination, housing and emergency assistance, and other support services, and offered to present a proposal for consideration in July.

Ryan O. expresses support for both zoning reforms and a strengthened Inclusionary Housing Ordinance (IHO), indicating that increasing housing density alone will not address the Village's affordability challenges. They stated that pairing zoning changes with stronger affordability requirements would help ensure new development benefits a broader range of residents and supports housing affordability for young people, seniors, and other community members.

Frank V. shares his wife's opinions on the importance of single-family zoning, overnight parking bans, and affordable housing. Frank urged the Village to conduct broader community outreach, consider lessons from other municipalities, and allow residents to weigh in through public meetings or a referendum, while also expressing concern that the proposed changes could worsen affordability and neighborhood parking impacts.

VI. Village Manager Reports

B. [ID 26-409](#) Review of the Board Meeting Calendars for June, July, and August 2026

The Village Manager Kevin Jackson reported that the June, July, and August calendar has been updated, with the only change being the cancellation of the June 30 study session on police technology, which will be rescheduled at a later date.

The Board was also informed that an updated calendar reflecting July, August, and September meetings will be provided before the August recess.

VII. Village Board Committees

This section is intended to be informational. If there are approved minutes from a recent Committee meeting of the Village Board, the minutes will be posted in this section.

Pending Committee Meeting Minutes

Finance Committee Meeting Minutes from July 2, 2026

Finance Committee Meeting Minutes from June 18, 2026

Finance Committee Meeting Minutes from May 21, 2026

VIII. Citizen Commission Vacancies

C. [ID 26-404](#) **Board and Commission Vacancy Report for June 23, 2026**

Village President Vicki Scaman announced that information regarding current citizen commission vacancies is available through the Clerk's Office and encouraged interested residents to apply by contacting the office via email.

IX. Citizen Commission Appointments, Reappointments and Chair Appointments

No Citizen Commission appointments, reappointments, or Chair appointments were presented.

XIII. Consent Agenda

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Village President Vicki Scaman moved Agenda Item J to the Regular Agenda after Village Manager Kevin Jackson noted interest in referring the item back to the Transportation Commission.

It was moved by Village Trustee Cory Wesley, seconded by Village Trustee Derek Eder to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. The motion was approved. The roll call on the vote was as follows:

AYES: 6 - Village President Scaman, Village Trustee Eder, Village Trustee Leving Jacobson, Village Trustee Straw, Village Trustee Taglia, and Village Trustee Wesley

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1 - Village Trustee Enyia

D. [RES 26-195](#) **A Resolution Approving a Task Order with Baxter & Woodman, Inc. for Professional Engineering Services for Chlorine Conversion at the North, South and Central Pump Stations in an Amount Not to Exceed \$92,000 and Authorizing its Execution**

This Resolution was adopted.

- E. [RES 26-224](#) **A Resolution Approving the Release of the Draft Program Year (PY26) Annual Action Plan for Public Comment**
This Resolution was adopted.
- F. [RES 26-226](#) **A Resolution Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Village of Oak Park and the Park District of Oak Park for Equipment and Vehicle Sharing and Authorizing its Execution**
This Resolution was adopted.
- G. [RES 26-229](#) **A Resolution Approving the Engagement of an Additional Law Firm for Legal Services to be Performed on Behalf of the Village of Oak Park**

This Resolution was adopted.
- H. [RES 26-230](#) **A Resolution Approving the Submission of an Assistance to Firefighters (AFG) Grant Application to the United States Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)**
This Resolution was adopted.
- I. [MOT 26-184](#) **A Motion to Concur with the Transportation Commission's Recommendations for Traffic Calming at the 100 Block of North Lombard Avenue**
This Motion was approved.

XIV. Regular Agenda

- J. [MOT 26-185](#) **A Motion to Concur with the Transportation Commission's Recommendations for Traffic Calming at the 500-600 Block of Belleforte Avenue**

Public Works Director Rob Sproule provided a brief overview of Agenda Item J and stated that staff had received feedback from residents indicating there may not be majority support for the proposed recommendations. Staff recommended that the item be pulled and referred back to the Transportation Commission to allow residents on the affected blocks an opportunity to be heard before the item returns to the Village Board.

Agenda Item J was tabled to a future meeting and referred back to the Transportation Commission.
- K. [MOT 26-179](#) **A Motion to Select a Preferred Construction Delivery Method for the Oak Park Municipal Campus Project and Direct Staff to Begin Soliciting Qualifications for Accompanying Services**

The Village Board considered a recommendation to select the Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR) delivery method for the Oak Park

Municipal Campus Project and to authorize staff to begin soliciting qualifications for related services. Staff and project consultants presented an overview of available construction delivery methods, including Design-Bid-Build, Design-Build, Public-Private Partnerships, and CMAR, and recommended CMAR as the preferred approach for the police station project.

Discussion focused on project cost control, competitive bidding, risk management, change orders, contractor qualifications, local contractor participation, and opportunities for minority-, women-, and veteran-owned business involvement. Trustees raised questions regarding the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) process, cost savings incentives, transparency of subcontractor bidding, project timelines, and the role of the CMAR during the design and construction phases.

Staff explained that the CMAR method would allow the Village to engage construction expertise early in the design process, improve cost estimating and value engineering opportunities, manage project risks, and provide flexibility to maintain Board oversight throughout project development. Staff further noted that a qualifications-based selection process would be conducted and that future Board approval would be required before entering into any contract.

Following discussion, the Board expressed general support for proceeding with the CMAR procurement process for the police station project.

It was moved by Village Trustee Cory Wesley, seconded by Village Trustee Derek Eder, that this Motion be approved.

AYES: 6 - Village President Scaman, Village Trustee Eder, Village Trustee Leving Jacobson, Village Trustee Straw, Village Trustee Taglia, and Village Trustee Wesley

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1 - Village Trustee Enyia

XV. Call to Board and Clerk

Village Clerk Christina Waters No Comments

Village Trustee Cory Wesley No Comments

Village Trustee Brian Straw Trustee Straw discussed the Village's efforts to expand housing options through zoning reform, emphasizing the need to address housing affordability, increase housing supply, and provide additional housing choices within the community.

Village Trustee Jim Taglia No Comments

Village Trustee Jenna Leving Jacobson Trustee Leving-Jacobson commented on a recent report regarding the detention of an individual who lives or works in Oak Park. She expressed concern for the individual, the individual's family, and the broader community, and discussed the impacts of immigration detention, the importance of recognizing the humanity of all community members, and the need to support policies that promote inclusion, safety, and protection for vulnerable populations.

Village Trustee Derek Eder Trustee Eder discussed housing affordability challenges and noted that affordability pressures are being experienced locally, nationally, and globally. He stated that while many factors contributing to housing costs are beyond the Village's direct control, the Village can address affordability through local policies, including increasing housing supply through zoning reforms and strengthening affordable housing requirements for new development. He emphasized the importance of pursuing multiple strategies to expand housing opportunities and support affordability in Oak Park.

Village President Vicki Scaman President Scaman stated that she continues to participate in meetings and educational opportunities for village presidents and mayors and remains engaged in listening and learning on issues affecting the community.

XVI. Adjourn

It was moved by Village Trustee Jenna Leving Jacobson, seconded by Village Trustee Derek Eder to adjourn the Village Board Meeting. Meeting adjourned at 9:16 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Village Clerk Christina M. Waters